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PATENT APPLICATION

Applicants : Thomas E. Borillo, et al.  
Application No. : 09/932,512 Confirmation No. : 6335  
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For : EXPANDABLE IMPLANT DEVICES FOR  
FILTERING BLOOD FLOW FROM ATRIAL  
APPENDAGES  
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REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In reply to the final Office Action dated March 10, 2004, applicants amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments of the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 12 of this paper.